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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION

REF: (A) CARACAS 7182, (B) STATE 212172

- 1. EMBASSY ON AUGUST 15 RECEIVED UNDATED DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM FOREIGN MINISTRY IN REPLY TO EMBASSY'S NOTE OF AUGUST 3 ABOUT THE BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION WHICH FOLLOWED UP ON CHARGES APPROACH OF JULY 31 (REF A).

 GOV NOTE STATES THAT VENEZUELA TRADITIONAL HAS REJECTED VIOLENCE AND INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND THEREFORE SUPPORTS AND EXPRESSES ITS SOLIDARITY WITH THE PRINCIPLES CONTAINED IN THE BONN ANTI-HIJACKING DECLARATION. NOTE ALSO STATES THAT THE TOKYO, THE HAGUE AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS ARE NOW BEING CONSIDERED BY THE VENEZUELAN CONGRESS FOR RATIFICATION.
- 2. IT APPEARS THAT FOR THE MOMENT AT LEAST, THE GOV DOES NOT INTEND TO EXPRESS PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR BONN DECLARATION.
- 3. FRG AMBASSADOR INFORMED CHARGE HE HAS RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS TO MAKE DEMARCHE ALONG WITH OTHER BONN SUMMIT PARTICICONFIDENTIAL

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PANTS. CANDADIAN EMBASSY STATES IT RECEIVED SIMILAR INSTRUCTIONS ON AUGUST 22. ONCE UK EMBASSY RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS, GERMAN AMBASSADOR WILL CANVASS ALL EMBASSIES INVOLVED TO RACH AGREEMENT ON BEST MANNER OF MAKING APPROACH.

4. CANADIAN EMBOFF TOOK ADVANTAGE OF A RECENT CALL ON FOREIGN MINISTRY (AMB. TIRADO WHO HANDLES AVIATION MATTERS)

ON ANOTHER SUBJECT TO RAISE BONN DECLARATION INFORMALLY. TIRADO TOLD HIM GOV HAD TAKEN NOTE OF AND SUPPORTED THE BONN DECLARATION AND SAID THAT HAGUE, MONTREAL AND TOKYO CONVENTIONS ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR TAIFICATION BY VENEZUELAN CONGRESS. CROWLEY

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